Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government):* We cannot compel them. Moreover, there is not much correspondence within the State.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Have we not correspondence with British India and Travancore?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Yes. We have.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellyi):* Are we not using our stamps for correspondence inside Cochin and Travancore?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Yes.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Suppose somebody posts a letter with anchal stamp affixed to the Harbour Engineer. Will the Ernakulam Anchal Office deliver it there?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Yes.

FINANCIAL HELP—KALLAI ISHNIKKA.

13. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they have received any petition from one കല്ലായി ഇഷ്ണിക്ക, വടതല ദേശം, അഞ്ചുര വില്ലേജ്, തലപ്പിള്ളി താലൂക്ക praying for help to reconstruct and rethatch his house which was burnt by fire;

(*b*) will the Government be pleased to give the date of receiving the petition from കല്ലായി ഇഷ്ണിക്ക;

(*c*) whether Government has given any aid to the petitioner till now?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* (*a*) No.

(*b*) and (*c*) Do not arise in view of answer to (*a*).

AGRICULTURAL LOANS—REPAYMENT OF.

14. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam).* Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of years and number of instalments by which a ryot has to clear the agricultural loan he has borrowed from the Government;

(*b*) if the answer to sub-division (*a*) is that the period is below 20 years, will the Government be pleased to increase the instalments of all existing loans and future loans to 20 years and to reduce each instalment as equal instalments including interest and without enhancing the present rate for Agricultural loans and to collect on the same principle of the collection of the Land Mortgage Bank Loans?

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